

Senate Resolution 1183

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on Remote Service Terminal (ATM) Safety; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, The General Assembly recognizes the importance of safe use of automatic teller
4 machines; and

5 WHEREAS, ATM use continues to grow at a staggering rate and approximately 12 billion
6 ATM transactions take place per year at thousands of ATMs; and

7 WHEREAS, technological advances have brought about proposals for additional ATM
8 security measures; and

9 WHEREAS, public fear of ATM related theft is increasing; and

10 WHEREAS, there is a need to study the availability of 9-1-1 emergency service at remote
11 service terminal locations; and

12 WHEREAS, research indicates there is a reverse personal identification number (PIN)
13 warning safety system that claims to offer added security to customers in the event of a
14 robbery while using their ATM by which an ATM user can punch in their PIN backward and
15 police are alerted; and

16 WHEREAS, remote service terminal safety is of concern to Georgia citizens and a thorough
17 study of this matter is needed to determine what measures may be taken to help ensure the
18 safety of ATM users.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
20 Study Committee on Remote Service Terminal (ATM) Safety to be composed of five

1 members of the Senate to be appointed by the Committee on Assignments. The Committee
2 on Assignments shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson. The chairperson
3 shall call all meetings of the committee.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the above
5 issues and recommend any actions or legislation that it deems necessary or appropriate. The
6 committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem
7 necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its
8 duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the
9 committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official
10 Code of Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be
11 received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are
12 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
13 from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event that the committee makes a report
14 of its findings and recommendations with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such
15 report shall be made on or before December 1, 2006. The committee shall stand abolished
16 on December 1, 2006.